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experts in  
counter-corruption and  
the law of armed conflict

## SUMMIT DECLARATION



Stellenbosch  
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forward together  
sonke siya phambili  
saam vorentoe

### WE, the attendees of the Pavocat-Stellenbosch Academy Counter-Corruption Summit:

**RECOGNISE** that corruption undermines and damages integrity, good governance and the rule of law in South Africa, across Africa and globally, and that it challenges progress, inclusivity and respect within our society, throughout the continent and around the world;

**ACKNOWLEDGE** that corruption hampers sustainable development and prosperity for the people of South Africa and Africa, and serves only to erode their rights, freedoms and legitimate aspirations;

**APPRECIATE** that corruption on the part of elected officials destabilises the electorate's faith and confidence in them personally, and more widely undercuts respect for politics and political institutions, which is detrimental to the belief and sustainability of democracy across Africa;

**COMPREHEND** that corruption on the part of business operators undermines economic development and the conditions required to improve living conditions for all;

**UNDERSTAND** that, for all the above reasons and more, corruption is a blight upon South Africa that needs to be checked and remediated effectively and efficiently for our Republic to progress in the manner that its people rightly deserve and expect;

**REALISE** that counter-corruption efforts to date have not adequately addressed the cancer of corruption within our society and beyond, and that new, innovative and inclusive approaches to a cure it are required;

**RESOLVE** to come together to collaborate further in defeating corruption conclusively in South Africa, and throughout Africa, through identifying and implementing coherent, coordinated and progressive counter corruption strategies;

**AND TO THIS END WE DECLARE**, on this 27<sup>th</sup> Day of July 2022, to support the initiative to create the South African Regional Centre of Excellence and the holding annually of the Stellenbosch Dialogue as a means of contributing to the demise of corruption in South Africa and the African continent.



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